

# POWER cluster – First results from an EU-Project working in the Northern European competence network for offshore wind energy

## Objectives and work streams

### 1. Social acceptance:

**Communicating the benefits of offshore wind energy to the public**

- ✓ Until now more than 20.000 visitors attended the touring exhibition “FASCINATION Offshore” on the ship MS Greundiek
- ✓ POWER cluster gets member of the regional networks “POWER Väst” in Sweden and “Rogaland in the Wind” in Norway

### 2. Business:

**Creating a business platform to foster offshore wind energy development in the North Sea Region**

- ✓ Catalogue of Energy Industry Classifications 2009 by Douglas Westwood
- ✓ a transnational study about “offshore wind challenges and learning from the oil and gas industry” has been assigned

### 3. Skills:

**Adapting and preparing the North Sea Region work force to the needs of offshore wind energy**

- ✓ a setup for an offshore wind energy technology BSc minor has been developed
- ✓ wind energy colloquia for pupils have been organized

### 4. Cluster Development:

**Developing an offshore wind power cluster in the North Sea Region**

- ✓ POWER cluster attended the ONS 2008 in Stavanger, HUSUM WindEnergy 2008, DEWEK 2008 in Bremen, SNS09 in Norwich and the All-Energy 09 in Aberdeen
- ✓ European Technology Platform for Wind Energy, Mid Term UpWind Workshop and “working group for offshore and onshore grid development in Northern Europe” organised by European Coordinator in Brussels



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